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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

KENICHI FUKUOKA, ET AL.

: EXAMINER: GARRETT, D. L.

SERIAL NO: 09/749,749

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: GROUP ART UNIT: 1774

FOR: ORGANIC
ELECTROLUMINESCENCE DEVICE
EMITTING WHITE LIGHT

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Responsive to the Official Action mailed June 13, 2003, Applicants elect an anthracene derivative as the blue light-emitting material, and, for the fluorescent compound, compounds (17) and (18) (in Claim 30) with a substituted or unsubstituted aryl group having 6 to 30 carbon atoms for each of R¹ to R¹⁶ therein. This election is made with traverse. Claims 1-4, 6-9, 11-18, 20, and 23-30 read on the elected species.

Applicants kindly traverse the election requirement because the Office has already searched the broad claims, and it cannot now be a burden to search the species beneath the broad claims already searched by the Office. There is simply no basis for restricting between the elected and non-elected species.

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This application remains in condition for allowance, no prior art being cited to the contrary. An early and favorable indication of same is kindly requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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